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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Attorney Docket No. 03-465-D (400.151))**

In the Application of:)
McSwiggen et al.)
Serial No.: 10/826,966)
Filing Date: April 16, 2004)
For: RNA Interference Mediated Inhibition)
of Gene Expression Using Chemically)
Modified Short Interfering Nucleic)
Acid (siNA))

Examiner: Gibbs

Group Art Unit: 1635

Confirmation No. 2134

RESPONSE TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED JUNE 8, 2007

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Please consider the amendments and remarks made herein in response to the final Office Action mailed June 8, 2007. Please charge all fees due to deposit account number 13-2490.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted to the USPTO via the USPTO EFS on August 15, 2007.

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